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FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT ACTION BEIRUT, CAIRO AND KUWAIT
ON 11 FEBRUARY BEING REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO. QUOTE:

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SUBJ: TIMAN TRADE MISSION; ADVANCE MAN CARL MIDDLETON

REF : KUWAIT 664

PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO MR. CARL MIDDLETON,
ADVANCE MAN FOR OPIC TIMAN TRADE MISSION: EMBASSY HAS
MADE RESERVATIONS AT NEW BAHAUDDIN HOTEL IN JIDDA FOR
FEB 16 (TEL. 23851). RESERVATION OPEN ENDED. SUGGEST
MIDDLETON PLAN TO TRAVEL RIYADH EVENING OF FEB 17 AND RE-
MAIN THERE UNTIL GROUP ARRIVES. EMBASSY OFFICERS WILL
INQUIRE ABOUT HOTEL SPACE WHEN IN RIYADH, BUT CHANCES FOR
FINDING HOTEL SPACE BETWEEN FEB 17 AND FEB 22 NOT RPT
NOT GOOD. WILL ALSO RECONFIRM RESERVATIONS FOR GOURP.
MIDDLETON MUST REMEMBER THAT EMBASSY DOES NOT HAVE A
COMMERCIAL OFFICER IN RIYADH AND, AS WE HAVE
EMPHASIZED BEFORE, WE CAN PROVIDE ONLY VERY LIMITED
PHYSICAL ASSISTANCE. IT IS THEREFORE MANDATORY THAT
MIDDLETON BE ON THE SCENE IN RIYADH TO HOLD MISSION TO-
GETHER. THIS IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT SINCE SAUDIS ARE
HANDLING SUCH A LARGE PORTION OF VISIT, INCLUDING CUSTOMS
CLEARANCE, TRANSPORTATION, ETC. ECONOMIC OFFICER DUANE
BUTCHER WILL BE IN RIYADH FEB 21 THROUGH 23, BUT HE
WILL HAVE OTHER BUSINESS TO CONDUCT AND SHOULD NOT BE
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